

A bill for an act  
relating to higher education; modifying certain requirements for an associate of  
applied science degree at Minnesota State Colleges and Universities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. **MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES DEGREE  
REQUIREMENTS.**

An associate of applied science degree offered by a college in the Minnesota State  
Colleges and Universities system is exempt until July 2, 2012, from the 60-semester credit  
limit for an associate degree specified in the policy adopted by the Board of Trustees of  
the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities under Laws 2007, chapter 144, article  
1, section 4, subdivision 3, paragraph (b). By January 2, 2012, a joint report must be  
presented to the house and senate committees with jurisdiction over higher education  
policy by the Minnesota State College Faculty and the Minnesota State College Student  
Association regarding a process for reviewing the credit requirements for an associate of  
applied science degree.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment  
and applies to associate of applied science degrees whether first offered before, on, or  
after that date.